

The Seneca Village Council held its regularly scheduled Council Meeting on January 15, 2013 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm

Roll Call: Present: Hamilton, Timmons, Lamb, Spicer
Absent: Sears

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the January 8, 2013 Council meeting minutes as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Lamb, Timmons, Spicer
Nays: none

Treasurer's Report:

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council approves the December Treasurer's Report, Payroll and payment of bills as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Timmons, Hamilton, Lamb, Spicer
Nays: none

No Seneca Business Spotlight presentation

Communications, Petitions, Reports, Additional Agenda Items and Public Comments

Mr. Tom Justice, Chairman of the Seneca Plan Commission stated that the board has reviewed the Village Zoning Map and indicated that it was consensus to approve the updated map.

Old Business:

Public Property Hamilton:

Commissioner Hamilton stated the Seneca Park Board has created a new position as a youth sports community scheduling coordinator; applications are being taken at the Seneca Village Hall and Chairman Fran Kasten is the contact if anyone has questions relating to this employment opportunity.

Accounts & Finance Timmons:

Commissioner Timmons announced that a Village Budget meeting will take place at 6:00pm on February 5, 2013 just prior to the Village Council meeting.

Streets Lamb:

Commissioner Lamb stated that drainage work has commenced on Shipyard Road by contractor D Construction; additional work will resume in spring months and the Village will work with Seneca Grade School to complete work during the spring break as well as coordinate regarding road closures. In addition, he stated that several dead trees located on River Road have started to be cleared by both the owner of Hidden Cove Marina as well as Miller Tree Service.

New Business:

Public Property Hamilton:

Comm. Hamilton stated that a request by Knoblauch Advertising regarding advertising the Village of Seneca in the official visitor's guide of LaSalle county which has a distribution of over 100,000 copies; after discussion it was the consensus of the Village Council to proceed with a \$399.00 advertising to be taken out of the Public Property Department per Commissioner Hamilton. Comm. Hamilton also stated that in regards to the Seneca sewer plant; one out of two of the existing lift pumps has failed; he explored the replacement cost and stated it would be approximately \$9,000.00 thus recommending that the pump be rebuilt to include new seals at a cost of approximately \$1,500.00; he stated he will provide Council with a estimate for future approval. In addition, he stated that the Seneca Park Board met on January 14, 2013 and it was consensus to pay \$50.00 toward each Seneca Youth Sport registration fee if the parent provides documentation of residency; it was noted this serves all Seneca Youth sports.

Streets Lamb:

Comm. Lamb stated that the Village has a need to replace lower loader bucket pins and bushings on the backhoe; after researching the cost an estimate from Martin Equipment for \$1479.64 was discussed and consensus of Council was to proceed with allowing this to be approved.

Public Affairs Spicer:

Mayor Spicer reviewed the need by the Illinois Commerce Commission for the two ordinances discussed at the previous council meeting relating to the consolidation of Seneca Dispatch with the County of Grundy. The first was for approval to sign the Grundy consolidation agreement and the second was to suspend the operations of the Village emergency dispatch center. Full Council had previously reviewed the ordinances and it was announced that the suspension of the current dispatch center will not in fact take place until authority is granted by the ICC and the Grundy County E-911 ETSB operate their emergency telephone system on behalf of the Village of Seneca.

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council adopts Ordinance #13-01, an ordinance authorizing the Village to enter into an agreement with Grundy Co. for the provision of 911 Emergency Dispatch Services.

Roll Call: Ayes: Lamb, Timmons, Hamilton, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council adopts Ordinance #13-02, an ordinance suspending the operations of the Village Emergency Dispatch Center.

Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Lamb, Timmons, Spicer
Nays: none

Mayor Spicer explained the requirement to approve the previously mentioned 2013 Seneca Zoning Map.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves the 2013 Zoning Map.

Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Timmons, Lamb, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council meeting of January 15, 2013 is adjourned at 7:41pm.

Roll Call: Ayes: Timmons, Hamilton, Lamb, Spicer
Nays: none

Theresa L. Russell, Village Clerk